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Re: U.S Patent Application Serial No. 10/798,790 entitled "Derivation of Terminally Differentiated Dopaminergic Neurons from Human Embryonic Stem Cells" by Satish M. Tote and Geeta Ravindran  
Attorney Docket No.: REL494/4-2US/58000

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in connection with the above-referenced patent application are:

1. Response to Restriction Requirement mailed April 9, 2007;
2. Credit Card Payment Form; and
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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

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Serial No.: 10/798,790

Filed: March 11, 2004

For: DERIVATION OF TERMINALLY  
DIFFERENTIATED DOPAMINERGIC  
NEURONS FROM HUMAN  
EMBRYONIC STEM CELLS

Group Art Unit: 1647

Examiner: Daniel C. Gamett

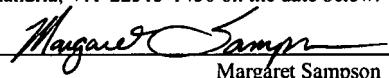
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION  
REQUIREMENT MAILED APRIL 9, 2007**

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This paper is filed in response to a Restriction Requirement mailed April 9, 2007, the response date for which was May 9, 2007. The Commissioner is requested to consider this statement as a petition for an extension of time of one month, bringing the due date for reply to June 9, 2007, a Saturday. Pursuant to 37 C. F.R. § 1.7(a) this paper is being filed on the next business day, June 11, 2007; thus, this paper is believed to be timely filed. The appropriate fee of \$60.00 according to 37CFR 1.17(a)(1) for a one month extension of time is enclosed. No

further fees are believed to be due with the filing of this paper. If the fee is deficient, missing or should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Vinson & Elkins, Deposit Account No. 22-0365/REL494/4-2US/58000.

**Response to Restriction Requirement:**

The Examiner has issued a restriction requirement for election of one of the following inventions:

- I. Claims 1-4, drawn to a differentiated cell population in an in vitro culture obtained by differentiating primate pluripotent stem cells, wherein at least 60% of the differentiated cells are dopaminergic neurons;
- II. Claims 5-39, drawn to methods of generating a differentiated neural cell population from primate pluripotent stem cells; and,
- III. Claims 40-44, drawn to methods of treating a patient with a neurodegenerative disorder or neuronal disease.

In response, Applicant elects the claims drawn to Group II for examination, i.e., claims 5 through 39. Group I, claims 1 through 4, and Group III, claims 40 through 44, are canceled as drawn to non-elected inventions, without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicant reserves the right to pursue the subject matter of the canceled claims in this, or a related application.

**CONCLUSION**

It is Applicant's belief that the claims are in condition for allowance. Such favorable action is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding any issue associated with this application a telephone call to the undersigned representative at 512/542-8569 is welcome.

Respectfully submitted,



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